

IN THE CLAIMS

1.-7. (Cancelled)

8. (Currently Amended) An assembly as set forth in ~~claim 1~~claim 11, wherein said groove is circumferentially located about 180 degrees along said collet from said expansion gap.

9. (Currently Amended) An assembly as set forth in ~~claim 1~~claim 11, wherein said groove is U-shaped.

10. (Currently Amended) An assembly as set forth in ~~claim 1~~claim 11, wherein said groove extends partially radially into said collet retainer and said expansion gap extends fully radially through said collet retainer.

11. (Currently Amended) ~~As~~A fluid handling combination assembly comprising: ~~as set forth in claim 1;~~

a housing;

a collet retainer received within said housing, said collet retainer extending generally circumferentially around a central axis, with an expansion gap at one circumferential location and a groove at another circumferential location, said collet retainer being provided with self-centering structure for ensuring said collet retainer is generally centered about a central axis of said housing, wherein said self-centering structure includes a pilot member having a channel extending between a radially outer pilot wall and a radially inner pilot wall, and a leg on said collet retainer that extends axially inwardly for being received within said channel to center said collet retainer, said collet retainer including a ramped surface that is transversely angled relative to the leg, said ramped surface coming into contact with the pilot member when said tube is moved to bring said collet retainer axially into said housing, said pilot member causing said ramped surface of said collet retainer to cam radially outwardly and assist radial expansion of said collet retainer; and

_____ a tube held within said housing by having an upset portion positioned inwardly of
said collet retainer.

12.-14. (Cancelled)